GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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LICENCING OF ARMS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of bore-armed licences in Delhi;

(b) whether any policy has been adopted to extend the validity of armed licences issued in Delhi throughout the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the number of such armed licences for which the Member of Parliament have sent recommendatory letters for extending their validity throughout the country;

(e) the action taken on such letters;

(f) whether any complaints have been received with regard to irregularities and corrupt practices in extending its validity for whole India;

(g) if so, the action taken so far in this regard; and

(h) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI V. RADHIKA SELVI)

(a): As per available information, the total number of bore armed licences issued in Delhi till 31.10.2007 is 33068.

(b) & (c): As per guidelines issued in 1995, requests for extending the area validity o f Non-Prohibited Bore arms licences are considered by the State Governments concerned on merits based on the recommendations of the DMs concerned, keeping in view the law and order situation obtaining in the district/State and other local factors. In respect of Prohibited Bore arms licences, requests for extending the area validity for the All-India are considered by MHA on merits, in consultation with the State Governments and the security agencies concerned.

(d) & (e): Such letters of Members of Parliament are duly considered and requests for extension of area validity are examined on merits in each case.

(f) to (h): Information, is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.